## Home Going Celebration for

# Thomas Lee Shaw, Fr.



**Sunrise** September 14, 1962 **Sunset** November 19, 2011

Saturday, November 26, 2011 - 12:00 Noon

#### **COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ

## Reflection of Life

Thomas Lee Shaw was born on September 14, 1962 in Newark, New Jersey. "Rahim" is what everyone knew him as. Thomas is the son of Earlene Bacon Shaw and Thomas L. Shaw.

He attended part of Newark School system and moved to Chase City, Virginia where he went to Blue Stone High School. He graduated from Career and Technical Education, Petersburg High School in Petersburg, VA and received his GED. Thomas worked for Newark Housing Authority. He served time in the Military, he also worked as a welder.

Rahim was very smart and skillful. He did many things, he loved children, especially his loved ones, every niece and nephew has a nickname from their "Uncle Rahim." Rahim was one of the best baby sitter there was, he took care of his loved ones he definitely knew how to cook great meals. Rahim was well liked and adored by many people. His life just took a turn for the worst and he did not have enough life in him to live on, but he definitely enjoyed his life to the fullest and with high spirits and dreams.

Rahim is survived by: three sisters, Carla Shaw, Vonda Bethea and Jackie Hendrick; two brothers, Tremaine Shaw and Marco Shaw; three sons, Sarad Shaw, Saleem Shaw and Ibn-Rahim Shaw; two daughters, Amelia Bronson and Shante Ellerbe; grandchildren, Sariya Shaw, Nevaeh Shaw, Sarad Shaw, Jr., Candice Shaw, Zakiyah Bronson, Aaliyah Armour, Jayden Armour and Taysia Harris; six nieces, Santia Shaw, Janetha Farrar, Ishuana Dowdell, Essence Shaw, Sabriya Shaw and Sabrina Smith; four nephews, Kawon Bethea, L. Kapree Bethea, Ibn Muhammad and Nadir Wallace; three great nieces; four great nephews; sister-in-law Takeyiah Shaw; two aunts, Berta Shaw and Luqenia Washington; three uncles, Benjamin Shaw, Henry Bacon, Jr. and Clinton Bacon; and a host of cousins and friends.

He will be missed dearly by everyone who knew him. He truly was one of a kind.

## Order of Service

Musical Prelude

**Processional** 

Opening Hymn

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgement / Resolutions

Remarks (2 minutes please)

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

#### <u>Interment</u>

Fairmount Cemetery Newark, New Jersey

#### Repast

94 North 22nd Street East Orange, New Jersey 07018

### Miss Me But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me, I want no rites in a gloom filled room, Why cry for a soul set free? Miss me a little-but not too long, and not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared. Miss me-but let me go. For this is a journey that we all must take, And each must go alone. It's all part of the Master's plan, A step on the road to home. When you are lonely and sick at heart, Go to the friends we know. Laugh at the things we use to do Miss me-but let me go.

#### **Honorary Pallbearers**

Kawon Bethea L. Kapree Bethea
Ibn Muhammad Quamaine Barnette
Rory Parrish Anthony Smith

#### <u>Acknowledgement</u>

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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